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SUBJECT: ARAB GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR BLACK SEPTEMBER

REF: STATE 42486, 44811, 44852

1. WE HAVE TODAY REQUESTED URGENT APPOINTMENT
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2. MEANWHILE, EVANS AND NOVAK HAVE CONFIDED TO THE WORLD THE GIST OF OUR MESSAGE TO ARAB GOVTS AT THIS TIME. THUS VARIOUS MFA' S SHOULD BE WELL PREPARED WITH THEIR REBUTTALS AND RATIONALIZATIONS KEYED TO MEET REPORTED QUOTES FROM A HIGH USG OFFICIAL -- AND ALSO WITH A PRESUMED KNOWLEDGE OF U. S. POLICY DELIBERATIONS RE LIBYA TO WHICH I HAVE NOT BEEN PRIVY MYSELF.

3. I RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST THAT THE EVANS/ NOVAK ARTICLE IS ENOUGH WATER OVER THE DAM FOR THE PRESENT AND THAT NOW USG SPOKESMAN AT ALL ELVELS LIMIT THEMSELVES HEREAFTER TO INDICATING IN ONLY THE MOST GENERAL WAY THAT WE ARE ENGAGED IN DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS WITH ARAB GOVERNMENTS TO FACE UP TO THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. I REFER IN PARTICULAR TO OUR OFFICIAL SPOKESMEN WITH THE PRESS. ANY DETAILS DIVULGED BY THEM COULD LEAD TO AN EXCHANGE OF OFFICIAL STATEMENTS IN PUBLIC THAT WOULD TEND TO DEFEAT OUR PURPOSES -- AT LEAST IN THE CASE OF LIBYA, AND AS I UNDERSTAND OUR PURPOSES HERE.

4. IF I AM WRONG IN THIS ANALYSIS, REQUEST THAT WE BE SO INFORMED.
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